MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : A statement,* by caste, of those who were appointed permanently or temporarily as Assistant Inspectresses of Girls' Schools during the last one year ending with the 15th Mithunam 1107 is laid on the table.

Harnessing the Karimpankuttu falls.

338. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have investigated the resourcefulness of the Karimpankuttu falls in the main Periyar river, (about 8 miles up the place where the Mutirapuzha joins the Periyar) for a hydro-electric power scheme in Travancore ; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that they propose to develop a scheme of hydro-electric power from Pallivasal or Munnar ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes, a preliminary investigation has been made.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : When was the preliminary investigation made ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : In 1920.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : What is the result of the investigation ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : It was reported by the Engineer deputed for investigation that the scheme would require a tunnel about a mile long and a channel about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long to secure approximately 600 feet ahead. That is the result of the investigation. It is a very costly scheme.

Appointment of Mr. G. Mahadeva Aiyar, Accountant of the Sanketam Department, in the Survey Department.

339. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any G. O. or rule that no subordinate of the Sri Pandaravaka Department should be taken over to any other department ;

(*b*) whether one Mr. G. Mahadeva Aiyar, an Accountant of the Sanketam Department, was appointed in the Survey Department ;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, whether that appointment was not in violation of the orders of the Government referred to in part (*a*) ;

(*d*) whether the said Mr. Mahadeva Aiyar continued in the Survey Department for more than three years and whether sanction of Government for his appointment was sought for only after that period ;

(*e*) whether any leave with allowances was granted to that employee and substitute appointed in his place before Government sanction was accorded to that appointment ;

(*f*) if so, whether that was in consonance with Code rules ; and

(*g*) if the rules do not permit of such a procedure, why no action was taken thereupon by Government ?

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